

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

S-6J

SEP 0 4 2008

Douglas P. Scott, Director Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O. Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276



Re:

Hamilton Sundstrand – Operable Unit 3, Source Area 9/10 Southeast Rockford Groundwater Contamination Site Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois

Dear Director Scott:

Hamilton Sundstrand Corporation has informed the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that it has established financial assurance with the State of Illinois for a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulated unit identified as the Outside Storage Area (OSA) located at its Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois facility. The Hamilton Sundstrand facility is located within Operable Unit 3 - Source Area 9/10 of the Southeast Rockford Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site. The financial assurance was established to comply with Illinois requirements for the management of hazardous waste at the OSA.

A Consent Decree was entered on September 2, 2008, in the United States District Court For The Northern District Of Illinois, Western Division, Civil Action No. 08-C-50129, requiring Hamilton Sundstrand to implement the remedy at the Hamilton Sundstrand property portion of Source Area 9/10 of the Southeast Rockford Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site in Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois. The OSA, which was identified as a source area in the June 2002, Operable Unit 3 Record of Decision, will be addressed by remedial action undertaken pursuant to that Consent Decree. The Consent Decree, at Section XIII, Performance Guarantee, requires Hamilton Sundstrand to establish and maintain a Performance Guarantee in the amount of \$7,900,000.00. Hamilton Sundstrand has complied with the Performance Guarantee provision of the Consent Decree by establishing the required Performance Guarantee.

EPA is acknowledging that the financial assurance established by Hamilton Sundstrand for the OSA can, therefore, be released to Hamilton Sundstrand. Further, other RCRA

related issues, including financial assurance for RCRA units identified in the future at the Hamilton Sundstrand property, will be dealt with by the U.S.EPA RCRA program.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 312-353-9295, if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Richard C. Karl, Director Superfund Division

cc: Brian S. White, Illinois EPA

Victoria M. Haines, Esq. Hamilton Sundstrand Corp.